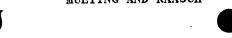
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the telephone conversation held Monday, 24 September 2001 between Examiner Frank Lu and Kelly McNulty of *Mueting, Raasch & Gebhardt*, Applicants are not required to respond to the <u>Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)</u> mailed 08 September 2001.

According to Examiner Lu, the <u>Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)</u> was mailed by mistake, as the Preliminary Amendment Applicants submitted on 21 March 2001 was in full compliance with the requirements of the U.S. Patent Office.

In consideration thereof, Applicants respectfully request that the Preliminary Amendment filed on 21 March 2001 be entered in its entirety prior to examination and consideration of the above-identified divisional application.

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